

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. CONTRACT ID CODE J		PAGE OF PAGES 1 2		
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						10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
						10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE		FACILITY CODE					
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offer <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning _____ copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.							
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)							
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.							
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.							
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B).							
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:							
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)							
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.							
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) KASKASKIA RIVER NAVIGATION CHANNEL This Solicitation is amended as follows:							
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.							
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)				16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)			
				TEL: EMAIL:			
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR _____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)		15C. DATE SIGNED		16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY _____ (Signature of Contracting Officer)		16C. DATE SIGNED	

Section 00010 – Remove in its entirety and replace with the attached like numbered pages. Line Item 0003 was deleted from each year as geotube requirements will be negotiated in the task orders.

Section 00800 – Remove page 00800-2, Performance Schedule and replace with the attached like numbered page. Task 3, remobilization was removed and Task 4 was renumbered to 3.

Section 00800 – Remove page 00800-6, Issuing Task Orders and replace with the attached like numbered page. Para b. added additional information.

Section 01100 – Remove page 01100-3 and replace with the attached like numbered page. (Safety Provision para. (k) Emergency Dive Plan has been revised.)

Section 01100 – Remove page 01100-7 and replace with the attached like numbered page. (Right of Way para. 11.0 has been revised.)

Section 01440 – Remove pages 01440-4 and 5 and replace with the attached like numbered pages. (Tests para 3.7 has been deleted.)

Section 02482 – Remove page 02482-6 and replace with the attached like numbered page. Paragraphs 3.3.2, Overflow Structure and 3.3.3, Discharge Pipe Location added additional information to be provided with each task order request for proposal.

Section 02881 – Remove page 02881-3 and replace with the attached like numbered page. (Paragraph 1.5 Measurement and Payment has been changed.)

Clarifications to Contractors Questions are added as an attachment for additional information.

Section 00010 - Solicitation Contract Form

BIDDING SCHEDULE NOTES

1. Estimated quantities are to be used for bid evaluation only.
2. Bidders must bid on all items. Failure to bid on any item will be cause for the Government to determine the bid non-responsive.
3. All prices must be on a firm basis.
4. Information concerning indefinite quantity contracts as well as the limitations of task orders may be found in Section 00700. In addition, each Task Order will spell out exact contractual requirements and the negotiated task order pricing. |
5. Return the SF1442, Section 00010, and Section 00600 with your bid.
6. A site visit is scheduled at 08:00 am on 13 Aug 03. Bidders will meet at the New Athens Marina, New Athens, IL and are required to furnish their own water born transportation to access the project site and disposal areas.

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>SUPPLIES/SERVICES</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
BASE YEAR					
0001	Mobilization & Demobilization	1	Each	\$_____	\$_____
0002	Dredging	400,000	Cubic Yard	\$_____	\$_____
TOTAL BASE YEAR					\$_____

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OPTION YEAR 1					
1001	Mobilization & Demobilization	1	Each	\$_____	\$_____
1002	Dredging	400,000	Cubic Yard	\$_____	\$_____
TOTAL OPTION YEAR 1					\$_____

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OPTION YEAR 2					
2001	Mobilization & Demobilization	1	Each	\$_____	\$_____
2002	Dredging	100,000	Cubic Yard	\$_____	\$_____
TOTAL OPTION YEAR 2					\$_____
GRAND TOTAL BASE AND OPTION YEARS				\$_____	

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

<u>TASK DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CALANDER DAYS AFTER DATE OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE TO PROCEED</u>
1. Complete Mobilization	30 days
2. Complete Dredging	= (Estimated Cubic Yards / 5000 CY/Day) + (2 days x Number of disposal areas used)
3. Complete Demobilization	20 days after dredging complete

(d) Schedule of Work

The Government will issue Task Orders on this Contract specifying the dredging limits, estimated quantity of material, and disposal areas available to place dredge material. The Government plans on issuing the individual Task Orders so that dredging will commence at or above River Mile 28.0, New Athens, IL and progress towards river mile 36.0, Fayetteville, IL. Once the head of navigation is reached, additional assignments may be issued within the limits of this contract.

(e) Inclement Weather

Inclement weather will be addressed on the following conditions.

1. The Government will not mobilize the Contractor, which would require him to start dredging operations during inclement weather such as flooding or ice conditions.
2. If the Contracting Officer considers that during dredging operations severe inclement weather such as strong storms, ice conditions or flooding have actually prevented the Contractor from performing work, due to no negligence on the Contractor's part, the period of performance will be adjusted on a reasonable day for day basis.
3. If severe and inclement weather would require the Contractor to shut down or leave the work site the Government will perform a survey to determine the work performed.
4. If due to extended inclement weather such as flood or ice conditions the Contractor is unable to continue work, due to no fault of his own, he will be demobilized. Once weather conditions have improved the Government will issue a Task Order requiring the Contractor to resume operations consistent with the weather forecast and the Government's funding capabilities.

2.0 Pay Requests

Pay requests authorized in the Contract Clauses entitled "Payments Under Fixed Price Construction Contracts", will be paid pursuant to the clause entitled "Prompt Payment for Construction Contracts". Pay requests shall be submitted by invoice. All information and substantiation required by the identified contract clauses shall be submitted and the required certification shall be included, signed by and authorized official of the Contractor and dated when signed. The designated billing office is the St. Louis District Dredging Project Manager (CEMVS-CO-D), Foot of Arsenal Street, St. Louis, MO, 63118.

3.0 Physical Data (APR 1984). FAR 52.236-4.

Data and information furnished or referred to below is furnished for the Contractor's information. The Government shall not be responsible for any interpretation of or conclusion drawn from the data or information by the Contractor.

11.0 ISSUING TASK ORDERS

a. Task orders as necessary to accomplish the work under this contract may be issued by the Contracting Officer or by an Ordering Officer (s) duly appointed in writing to act as Ordering Officer specific to this contract.

b. Each task order shall have specific quantities and timeframes. Orders will be issued for a wide range of items and varying quantities within the realm of this contract. (Also see Contract Clause 52.216-19 entitled "Order Limitations") Upon receipt of the task order requirements by the Contractor, the Contractor shall submit a proposal within 5 days for the work. The Contractor shall begin work on the start date indicated on the task order. The Contractor's work schedule shall be in accordance with the production rates set forth in these specifications. Therefore, the Contractor's working schedule shall be determined in such a way as satisfying the production rate of 5,000 CY per day or as by an extension 35,000 CY per week. Furthermore, the Contractor will establish his own work schedule so as to meet the production requirements of this contract. |

c. The schedule does not take into account weather delays, which will be allowed when the weather, or conditions resulting from weather, severely impact or prohibit performance of specified work. The Contracting Officer shall be the sole judge of weather delays and determining severe impact; his/her decision will be final.

d. No delay claims will be allowed as a result of Task Order negotiations.

(c) Man-Overboard Signal. Hail and pass the word to the bridge. All personnel and vessels capable of rendering assistance shall respond.

(h) Hazardous Energy Protection. The Contractor shall develop, implement and maintain at the workplace, a written Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout) System. Refer to Section 12 of EM 385-1-1.

(i) Drills. The Contractor shall conduct its drills in accordance with EM 385-1-1, revised Sep 96, Section 19.A.04e.

(j) Equipment Operator Authorization. The Contractor shall submit a list of designated personnel qualified and authorized to operate machinery and mechanized equipment in accordance with Section 16 of EM 385-1-1, revised Sep 96.

(k) Emergency Dive Plan. The contractor shall submit a dive plan as an **amendme nt** to the Accident Prevention Plan **prior** to any diving operations. All contract diving operations shall be performed in accordance with SECTION 30 of EM 385-1-1, revised Sep 96.” At a minimum, the dive plan will address items in EM 385-1-1, SECTION 30.A.13.

(l) Radiation. If a production meter that uses nuclear materials is being used aboard the dredge, the Contractor shall perform following requirements. The production meter nuclear device system designer and installer shall be qualified in these fields of expertise by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). The Contractor shall obtain licensing and training as required by the NRC for this personnel aboard the dredge for the use of those components of the production meter containing or are affected by the nuclear source. The Contractor shall implement a nuclear device awareness program as required by the NRC for all personnel aboard the dredge not directly involved in the activities of the nuclear device. The Contractor shall submit a nuclear device safety plan to the Government within 24 hrs after receipt of Notice to Proceed by the Contractor. While a nuclear device is present aboard the dredge, the Contractor shall strictly adhere to all applicable NRC rules and regulations.”

(m) Crane/Derrick and Dragline Certification. The Contractor shall submit a copy of certification and performance test in accordance with Section 16 of EM-385-1-1.

(n) Violations: If recurring violations and/or gross violation indicate that the safety performance is unsatisfactory, corrective action shall be taken as directed, and at the discretion of the Contracting Officer the retention or some part thereof will be withheld from the progress payment until corrective action has been completed.

(o) Fire Prevention Cutting or welding will be permitted only in areas that are or have been made fire safe. Where possible, all combustibles shall be located at least 35 feet horizontally from the work site. Where such location is impracticable, combustibles shall be protected with fire blankets and/or protective welding screens to prevent slag from running out of the work area. Other fire prevention precautions shall be in accordance with the latest National Fire Codes.

(1) Oil Transfer Procedures: Fuel oil transfer procedures for all floating plant regardless of fuel capacity, shall comply with the requirements of U.S. Coast Guard Regulations, 46 CFR and 33 CFR Parts 155 and 156.

(a) Basic Requirements: For the purpose of this specification, paragraphs 2(o)(1)(a)1 to 2(o)(1)(a)7 shall be considered the minimum requirements for fuel/oil transfers.

1. Floating plant moorings must be strong enough to hold during all expected conditions of surge, current, and weather.

agents or employees, in which event such damages will be the responsibility of the Government in accordance with applicable Federal laws. For the purpose of this clause, the terms "officers, agents or employees" of the Government shall not include persons who are employed by the Contractor and whose services have been furnished to the Government pursuant to this or any other contract.

10.0 FUEL CONSUMPTION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

On the first day of each month, the Contractor shall furnish, to the Government Inspector, a report of the quantities of fuel consumed during the previous month in execution of the work covered by the contract. The quantities reported shall include fuel consumed by the Contractor and all of his/her subcontractors for the main plant and all support plant during the preceding month. This information may be consolidated and shall be included in the Report of Operations-Pipelines, Dipper or Bucket Dredges, ENG Form 4267; or in the Report of Operations-Hopper Dredges, ENG Form No. 27A(costs), as applicable.

11.0 RIGHT-OF-WAY

a. All dredge material disposal sites will be accessed from the Kaskaskia River unless otherwise noted in these specifications. Some of the disposal sites have access roads, information regarding the availability of access roads will be provided at the site visit. |

b. Right-of-way for construction purposes will be furnished by the Government without cost to the Contractor. Where right-of-way for access to a work site is not available over existing public roads and or river, access through private lands as shown on the contract drawings will be furnished by the Government without cost to the Contractor. If the right-of-way furnished for access is used, the Contractor will be required at its own expense, to do all work necessary to make such right-of-way suitable for traveling to and from the work site without interrupting the existing drainage. Upon completion of the contract work, any such access roadway and right-of-way furnished by the Government shall be left in a condition satisfactory to the Contracting Officer. |

c. The Contractor shall procure without expense to the Government all additional lands, access roads, or right-of-way necessary for its use in the performance of the work. Any agreements or permits with levee boards, counties, or political subdivisions for moving material and equipment will also be the responsibility of the Contractor. Any delays to the Contractor resulting from delays in procuring such additional lands, access roads, right-of-way, or permits for moving material and equipment for its own use will not be made a basis of any claim for increases in the cost of performance of the work. The Contractor shall make its own investigations to determine the conditions, restrictions, and difficulties which may be encountered in the transportation of material and equipment to the work sites shown on the drawings. |

attended by the superintendent, other CQC personnel (as applicable), and the foreman responsible for the definable feature. The results of the preparatory phase actions shall be documented by separate minutes prepared by the CQC System Manager and attached to the daily CQC report. The Contractor shall instruct applicable workers as to the acceptable level of workmanship required in order to meet contract specifications.

3.6.2 Initial Phase. This phase shall be accomplished at the beginning of a definable feature of work. The following shall be accomplished:

- a. A check of preliminary work to ensure that it is in compliance with contract requirements. Review minutes of the preparatory meeting.
- b. Verification of full contract compliance. Verify required control inspection and testing.
- c. Establish level of workmanship and verify that it meets minimum acceptable workmanship standards. Comparison with sample panels is appropriate.
- d. Resolve all differences.
- e. Check safety to include compliance with and upgrading of the safety plan and activity hazard analysis. Review the activity analysis with each worker.
- f. The Government shall be notified at least (24) hours in advance of beginning the initial phase. Separate minutes of this phase shall be prepared by the CQC System Manager and attached to the daily CQC report. Exact location of initial phase shall be indicated for future reference and comparison with follow-up phases.
- g. The initial phase should be repeated for each new crew to work on-site, or any time acceptable specified quality standards are not being met.

3.6.3 Follow-up Phase. Daily checks shall be performed to assure continuing compliance with contract requirements, including control testing, until completion of the particular feature of work. The checks shall be made a matter of record in the CQC documentation. Final follow-up checks shall be conducted and all deficiencies corrected prior to the start of additional features of work which may be affected by the deficient work. The Contractor shall not build upon or conceal non-conforming work.

3.6.4 Additional Preparatory and Initial Phases. As determined by the Government, additional preparatory and initial phases may be conducted on the same definable features of work if the quality of on-going work is unacceptable, if there are changes in the applicable CQC staff, on-site production supervision or work crew, if work on a definable feature is resumed after a substantial period of inactivity, or if other problems develop.

3.7 TESTS – DELETED

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3.8 COMPLETION INSPECTION. At the completion of all work or any increment thereof established by a completion time stated in the Contract Clause entitled "Commencement, Prosecution, and Completion of Work," or stated elsewhere in the specifications, the CQC System Manager shall conduct an inspection of the work and develop a "punch list" of items which do not conform to the approved drawings and specifications. Such a list of deficiencies shall be included in the CQC documentation, as required by paragraph DOCUMENTATION below, and shall include the estimated date by which the deficiencies will be corrected. The CQC System Manager or staff shall make a second inspection to ascertain that all deficiencies have been corrected and so notify the Government. These

3.3 DISPOSAL AREAS

The Dredge material shall be transported and deposited in the disposal areas provided by the Government as shown on the contract drawings and as specified herein. In no case shall the excavated material be discharged directly into the Kaskaskia River (open water disposal).

3.3.1 Schedule of Use

The below list is anticipated useage of the Disposal Areas as the Contractor progresses with work on the Kaskaskia River from River Mile 28 to River Mile 36. The use would be in reverse as the Contractor heads back downstream. Note: the actual starting location shall vary depending on the pre-dredge surveys run prior to dredging start. Additional areas may be made available.

RIVER MILE		DISPOSAL AREA
FROM	TO	
28.8	29.7	N
29.7	31.6	L
31.6	32.3	I
32.3	32.8	H
32.5	33.2	G
33.2	33.4	F
33.4	34.2	E
34.2	35.6	B
34.8	35.6	A

3.3.2 Overflow Structure (WEIR)

Each Disposal area will have a return water overflow structure built by others. These locations will be shown on the contract drawings. [Locations will be identified as part of each task order requirement.](#) |

3.3.3 Discharge Pipe Location

The Contractor shall place the dredge discharge pipe in the [disposal areas](#) shown on the Contract Drawings or as otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer. The dredge discharge pipe will be placed into the disposal areas as distant as practically possible from the overflow structure thereby allowing [sufficient](#) settling time for the dredge slurry, [as determined by the Contracting Officer's Representative.](#) [The Contractor may be required to move the discharge pipe within the disposal areas as necessary to complete the work.](#) [The drawings have been amended to remove the discharge pipe locations.](#) |

3.3.4 Prevention of Damage

The dredged material shall be transported and deposited in such a manner as to insure that no damage will occur to pipelines, utility lines, structures, drainage systems, and berms. The Contractor shall take measures to protect the berm in the vicinity of the dredge discharge pipe. Any damage to the berm near the vicinity of the discharge pipe will be corrected by the Contractor. The Contractor will not allow the elevation of the slurry water in the disposal area to reach more than 2-Ft below the top of the berm.

3.3.5 Excessive Discharge Pipe Leakage

Excessive leakage of the discharge pipe or seepage at the waste weir or effluent outlet locations, at or in the immediate vicinity of the dike, shall be sufficient cause for the Contracting Officer to require the Contractor to cease pumping until corrective measures can be taken.

1.5 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

The Government will identify the location and details of the geotube system with the issuance of the Task Order requirements. The cost associated with procurement, installation, and operation of the geotube system shall be negotiated with each Task Order.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS.

2.1.1 Anchor Fill Materials. The Contractor shall provide anchoring materials of his own design and in accordance with section 2.2.2. Material in the disposal areas may be used at the Contractor's option.

2.2 MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURING REQUIREMENTS.

2.2.1 Not used.

2.2.2 Anchorage. Edges of the scour pad shall be fabricated to allow anchorage. The anchorage shall consist of continuous anchorage of 20 pounds/lineal foot along scour pad edge, or individual anchorage weights of 60 pounds. Anchorage weights shall be placed at intervals not to exceed 3 feet along the edge of the scour pad. The individual weights can be concrete bags or some other smooth non-corrosive materials which are securely attached to the edge of the scour pad. Pockets sewn along the edge of the scour pad or some other approved method of ensuring the weights remain attached to the scour pad edges shall be provided. The Contractor shall submit details of this anchorage system for approval.

2.2.3 Geotube Geotextile. The geotextile tubes shall be a woven mono-filament or multi-filament pervious sheet of polymeric yarn. The geotextile tubes may be constructed to meet the geotextile properties in Table 1. Fibers used in the manufacture of the geotextiles shall consist of long-chain synthetic polymers composed of at least 85 percent by weight polyolefins, polyesters, or polyamides. Stabilizers and inhibitors shall be added to the base polymer of the geotextiles if necessary to make the filaments resistant to deterioration by ultraviolet light and heat exposure. Reclaimed or recycled fibers or polymer shall not be added to the formulation. Geotextiles shall be formed into a network so that the filaments or yarns retain dimensional stability relative to each other. The geotextile physical properties shall equal or exceed the Minimum Average Roll Values (MARV) listed in TABLE 1, as determined by the standard test methods listed in the Paragraph: REFERENCES above. Acceptance of geotextiles shall be in accordance with ASTM D 4759.

TABLE 1 - GEOTEXTILE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	UNIT	TEST VALUE
Apparent Opening Size (U.S. Sieve)	ASTM D 4751	U.S.Sieve (mm)	#40 (0.425)
Flow Rate	ASTM D 4491	gal/min/ft ² l/min/m ²	20 (813)
Permeability	ASTM D 4491	cm/sec	0.040
Permittivity	ASTM D 4491	sec -1	0.26
Puncture	ASTM D 4833	lbs (kN)	280 (1.25)

CLARIFICATIONS TO CONTRACTORS QUESTIONS

1. If the intent is to make one 130-foot pass from New Athens to Fayetteville, every disposal site will be utilized initially. Shouldn't Bid Item 0003 – 3 each be increased to nine?

The nine disposal sites will all be used as the work progresses and the number will be addressed in each task order as required. As a result, Bid Item 0003 has been deleted from the schedule.

2. Section 01100-General Provisions 6.0 (b)(2). Please explain the purpose of the Government taking two final acceptance (post-dredge surveys) for a task order? What is the time frame between surveys?

The Government will take up to two final acceptance surveys per task order. If the work has progressed (minimum 30000-ft) that portion of the work may be surveyed for acceptance. The Government anticipates taking up to two acceptance surveys for a task order.

3. Section 01440 – Quality Control 3.4.12 CQC System Manager, the Contractor's dredge superintendent needs to be the CQC System Manager. Please review the requirement "no scheduling or other duties"

The CQC System Manager may not be the dredge superintendent. The CQC System Manager is responsible for contractor quality control duties and functions and should not have the additional duties of operating, and maintaining the dredge.

4. What if a Task Order is issued, for example, 10 days before the initial 365 day contract period expires, are the Base Year unit prices applicable or the Option Year 1 unit prices?

The pricing will be clarified in the negotiation of each Task Order.

5. Section 01100-20.0 Utilities. Will the Government allow the contractor additional time if the contractor is unable to persuade the utility company to locate their lines in a timely manner?

The Contracting Officer will make this determination depending on actual circumstances.

6. Section 02482-12.4 Dredging. If the successful contractor performs dredging in a certain reach in the Base Year and during Option 2, the Government provides a Task Order to redredge this same reach, is the contractor paid the Base Year or Option Year 2 rates?

The dredging limits are defined by Task Orders. If the questioned scenario were to take place, the dredging done in Option Year 2 would be paid using bid items from Option Year 2.

7. Spoil Site Overflow Structures – Rhutasel and Associates, Inc. – Riprap
Please review the length and width of the riprap. Is the 4 foot dimension meant to be the thickness?

No riprap is required by these specifications. The 4 foot dimension shows the scour pad extending 4 feet down onto the riprap. Rip-Rap shown is existing. A revised overflow structure and geotube typical drawing will be provided at the site visit.

8. The Geotube System will prevent access for the Government and contractor along each reach of the project.

The Geotube system will not prevent access to the disposal areas.

9. Is the contractor required to perform ditching on the disposal areas to insure the dredge water gets to the overflow structure? The spoil areas are at or above the height of the dikes adjacent to the Kaskaskia River and we don't feel the dredge water will flow "towards" the Kaskaskia River.

The specifications do not allow the contractor to perform ditching in the disposal areas. The project sponsor is preparing the disposal areas.